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NEW SECRET SOCIETY

Being Launched by Senator George W. Poague, Graysville; Embraces Insurance Feature.

Senator George W. Poague has been in Crossville for a few days in the interest of a new fraternal and insurance secret organization for which he obtained a charter from the state at the last session of the legislature.

He is arranging to have the ritual printed at this office. The organization embraces the period of the fall of the pagan power and the rise of Christianity in the time of Constantine. It is secret and the ritual contains much that is amusing as well as sublime. The name of the organization is the "Knights and Ladies Order of the Red Cross." As the name implies, the order is intended to admit both ladies and gentlemen and both are eligible to obtain the benefits of the insurance feature.

On the whole it is a very attractive proposition, both fraternally and in an insurance way. Those who feel they might be interested will do well to see Senator Poague, who is stopping at the Commercial.

BIG TIMBER DEAL

Geo. N. Welch and Others Purchase 56,000 Acres in Warren County And Will Develop.

J. M. Reading was over from Monterey the first of the week looking after his farm property two miles east of town. He plans to dispose of his property in Monterey and move to his farm here a little later.

He informed us that former Railroad Commissioner Geo. N. Welch, of Nashville, and New York parties have purchased 56,000 acres of timber land in Warren county and will prepare to market the staves, ties and lumber from the tract.

The plan to spend the next twelve months building four miles of railroad, building houses and getting saw mills located at different points on the tract in anticipation of active development work at the earliest moment market conditions will justify.

Human Gambling Tools.

A set of small dice supposed to have been cut from the molar teeth of a notorious French criminal and professional gambler, who died by the guillotine, together with a dice-box made from a toughened piece of his skin, was one of the curios disposed of by a Paris curio dealer.

And There Be Others, Too.

"Ahm dooly thanku," said Rastus Johnson. "dat de good Lord ain't enforcing de law now as he wunst done agin dat man Ananias."

ADAMS FORD.

Judge C. E. Snodgrass is having some work done prospecting for coal near here.

Sunday School is reported to be progressing nicely at Slate Springs.

Judge C. E. Snodgrass delivered an interesting sermon at Mill Creek, Wednesday and Thursday nights of last week.

Rev. John Wody filled his regular appointment at Mill Creek Sunday. Fleming Wilson was the guest of Miss Ida Barnwell Sunday.

Maynard Rutherford, who has been at Maryville for several weeks taking medical treatment, has returned home and has been quite sick for several days, but is better at this writing.

Miss Pearl Adams has been sick but is better at present.

Melvin Adams went to Crossville Saturday.

Bunk Goss, who has been confined to his room from a knife wound, is reported to be improving rapidly.

Mrs. Zack Goss was visiting her sister, Mrs. Jesse Adams Sunday.

Judge Snodgrass preached at Slate Springs Friday night.

May 4. Daisy.

MORE MOONSHINERS CAUGHT

Marvin McBride and Son "Caught in the Act" by Marshal Liles and Dock Scott.

Friday Marshal Liles and Dock Scott arrested Marvin McBride and his son, Clifton, aged 19 years, in the act of setting up a still. The arrest was made about seven miles west of Crossville. They were taken to Cookeville and lodged in jail until Sunday, when they succeeded in making bond.

The officers secured a 30-gallon copper still and worm and destroyed five barrels of still beer. It is reported that McBride said if the officers had only let him alone for one more day he would have had his supply of raw material worked up and have been gone. That shows how rapidly the work can be done and accounts to some extent for the difficulty in arresting those who actually make the stuff.

Marshal Liles and Revenue Officer Dock Scott, Henry Turner and other revenue officers have destroyed seven stills and captured seven men in the past thirty days. Not such a bad record.

Sheriff Walker Also Busy.

Sunday Sheriff Walker and his deputy, Deet, Adams, of Crab Orchard, destroyed a still outfit near the road leading from Goodstock to Crab Orchard. They destroyed numerous buckets and barrels and 120 gallons of still beer.

Plain paths leading in the direction of certain houses not far distant tended to cast suspicion upon certain parties, but no arrests were made. The still furnace seemed not to have been in use for a few days, but indications were that it would have been put into commission in a few days had not Sheriff Walker and his deputy destroyed it.

My Car and the Night.

While driving my car through the stormy night, my little boy's head falls against my shoulder.

He sleeps, and a great surge of emotion rises in me.

When I saw him at play, when I heard his merriment, no such intimate tenderness overflowed my heart.

Now, though I only feel the light pressure of his small body in the dark, how keenly I realize my fatherhood.

What a gladness it is!

I am made strong by his weakness. Yes, I am strong. I am proud of my strength to struggle, and sometimes to win.

But when, in my turn, I shall grow weary and fall asleep on the shoulder. I wonder, shall I, too, inspire the Great Tenderness?

I wonder Who or What drives the Car through the Darkness?—Edmund Vance Cook in Leslie's.

Explains Firefly's Light.

A Princeton physiologist is said to have solved the problem of the firefly's light. The chemistry of the process is difficult enough. In effect, the luminous substance burns in oxygen like any fuel, only instead of forming carbon dioxide and water, as other humants do, the products of the combustion are of such a nature that when allowed to stand away from air, they change back into the original substance, and are ready to be burned again. The experimenter obtained the "light without heat" in a test tube, which glowed when shaken.

Women a Big Success at Banking.

The business of banking, which, until a few years ago was an almost exclusively masculine field, is opening its doors with astounding rapidity to women.

In the city of Boston alone, more than one thousand women are employed by banks either as expert clerks or in other responsible positions.

Accuracy and attention to detail are two of the most important factors in banking, and men bankers say women seem to be peculiarly efficient in these two lines.

ABOUT CITY SCHOOL BONDS

Effort to Be Made to Place Them With Citizens of the County at Once

The city council held its regular monthly meeting Friday night and handled the usual routine of business along with a hurried accounting of the work done in surfacing Main street.

The question of selling the bonds authorized for building the new school house for the city was taken up. After an extended consideration it was decided to make an effort to sell the bonds to our own people.

Since the last legislature exempted municipal bonds from taxes, such bonds have become one of the very best sources of investment open to persons having idle money. Numerous persons in the county have amounts ranging from a few hundred dollars to several thousand dollars deposited in the local bank. On those amounts the owner receives four percent and pays taxes of \$2.50 or more on the hundred, which leaves him about \$1.50 or less net profit. The opportunity is now at hand for those persons to buy Crossville school bonds, that bear six percent interest, and have to pay no taxes on the bonds. That means that the holder of the bonds will receive \$6.00 a year net on every \$100 he may have invested in these school bonds, whereas the money he has on time deposit with the bank only nets him \$1.50 or less, after all taxes are paid.

Such an investment should prove very attractive to those having money to invest. The city board felt that when the true situation becomes known the school bonds will readily find purchasers.

In view of the splendid service rendered by Deputy Revenue Officer Dock Scott during the past 30 days the board decided to employ him for another month at least.

The board was also well pleased with the services rendered by Marshal Liles.

Good Humor Comes First.

Honest good humor is the oil and the joy of a merry meeting, and there is no jovial companionship equal to it where the jokes are rather small and the laughter abundant.—Washington Irving.

CHINA RELIEF FUND

Committees Appointed from Each of the Churches to Canvass for Funds.

From May 1st to May 15th has been designated for relief work for the millions of Chinese who are starving because of crop failure, and the committee appointed by Governor Taylor has placed a quota of \$150.00 to be raised in Cumberland County for this purpose.

The churches of Crossville have appointed the following committees to canvass their respective membership: M. E. Church South, Mrs. Mary Bilbrey, Mrs. Starnes; M. E. Church, Mrs. P. V. Widener, Miss Helen Dickson; Christian Church, Mrs. S. W. Potter, Mrs. G. E. Harrison; Baptist Church, Miss Hazel Burnett, Miss Nelle McCart; Congregational Church, Mrs. A. L. Garrison, Mrs. F. A. McCartt.

After the church canvass has been completed a committee will call upon the other residents of the community to aid in raising the funds which are so greatly needed to feed the suffering ones of a distant land who are dependent upon the liberality of the American people to save the 5,000,000 starving of China. Hunger is hunger, whether at our door or 6,000 miles away, and we hope and believe that our people will cheerfully respond to this appeal.

\$1.00 will save a life for one month—\$2.00 will save a life until the harvest.

PAY YOUR TAXES NOW

Provisions of the New Law Briefly Explained; Better Not Delay Too Long.

This week we are publishing the list of delinquent taxpayers in conformity with the provisions of the new tax law enacted by the last legislature.

Heretofore it has been the custom for the Trustee to advertise the delinquent taxes for three weeks and then sell all that remained unpaid. Such tracts as were bid in by the state would be held in the office of the Circuit Court Clerk subject to redemption any time within two years. Payment had to include certain costs and penalties.

Different Under New Law.

Under the new law the trustee does not sell the delinquent property but turns over to the Comptroller of the State the entire list. After January 1, next, suits will be filed in the Chancery Court by the state against each delinquent and the property will be sold to the highest bidder, in bar of equity of redemption.

That means that you will have until next January to pay, but after June 1 a penalty of five percent must be added by the trustee, in case any delinquent wishes to pay and avoid the cost of advertising after January 1, next. Better make a special effort to pay before June 1 and save the five percent.

WORK OF ITALIAN ARTISTS

Men of Genius Engaged to Decorate the Capitol in the City of Washington.

Most of the decorations in the capitol at Washington are the work of Italian artists, according to an article by Professor Enrico Sartorio, in an Italian magazine published in New York.

The dome was decorated by a young Italian painter, Pietro Bonani, who had previously worked in Rome and Carrara, and who died in 1819, shortly after the completion of his work in Washington. The cast of the statue of liberty was done by Canova, who died before he could put it into marble, and the spread eagle under the statue was carved by another Italian, Valaperti.

As the hall of representatives neared completion in 1806 Giuseppe Franzoni and Giovanni Andrei, sculptors, were brought over from Italy. The former was skilled in figures and the latter in decorative sculpture, but their work was destroyed when the capitol was burned by the British during the War of 1812. When work was resumed, Andrei was sent to Italy to engage sculptors proficient in modeling figures, and it was probably then that Francesco Iardella and Carlo Franzoni, brother of Giuseppe, were engaged. The clock in Statuary hall was begun by Franzoni and completed by Iardella.

As the capitol neared completion a larger number of artists was needed, and most of them were brought over from Italy. It was then, in 1823, that Enrico Canova and Antonio Capelano, pupils of Canova, arrived. The sculptured portraits of Columbus, Raleigh, Cabot and LaSalle, and the groups representing the landing of the Pilgrims, Pocahontas rescuing Capt. John Smith, and some others are by them. Valaperti, who was a man of some prominence in his profession, also came over at this time.

In 1826, Luigi Persico arrived in Washington. The large allegorical group in the portico of the rotunda is his and also the statues of War and Peace on either side of the doorway. At the foot of the west stairway there is a bronze bust of a Chippewa chief by Vincenti. There are also many frescoes by Constantino Brumidi and some by Castiglioni, the two having been employed together on the large fresco on the rotunda, illustrating in pseudo-relief the periods in the history of the continent. Brumidi, who painted many of the frescoes in the Vatican at Rome, as well as in the capitol in Washington, came to America in 1849. In 1853 he became a citizen, and in 1859 he was entrusted with the decoration of the capitol.

PLEASANT HILL ACADEMY ACT

Gives to the Academy \$1,500 Under Certain Clearly Defined Conditions.

Herewith we publish the act authorizing Cumberland county to pay to the American Missionary Association for the benefit of Pleasant Hill Academy the sum of \$1500 in five equal payments. Each payment to be made when the Association shows that they have spent \$20,000 in betterments for the school each year for five years. Chapter 398.

SENATE BILL NO. 394.

AN ACT to enable, authorize and empower Cumberland County to donate \$1500 to the American Missionary Association to be used at Pleasant Hill, in said county, for School purposes, to be paid in five annual installments. Whereas, the American Missionary Association is running a School, at Pleasant Hill, in Cumberland County, Tennessee, and is desirous of expending a large sum of money in making improvements for the said school, which school is considered a public benefit to said county; and, whereas, the County Court of said County, at its July term, 1919, passed the following order.

It is hereby ordered by the Quorum Court of Cumberland county, Tennessee, That the trustee of said county is hereby authorized upon warrant of the County Judge and directed to pay to the American Missionary association for use in said county the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars in five annual installments of Three Hundred Dollars each, provided and only on condition that the said American Missionary Association expend One Hundred Thousand Dollars in the improvement of the school now situated at Pleasant Hill, in said county; and further provided, that this expenditure by the County of Cumberland is duly authorized by the legislature of the State of Tennessee, in either Special or Regular Session, Therefore,

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, That Cumberland County be hereby enabled, empowered, and authorized to make the appropriation in accordance with the above order of the County Court, an installment of \$300 to be paid each year upon satisfactory evidence to the County Judge and County Trustee that said association has expended \$20,000 the previous year in accordance with said order of the County Court.

SECTION 2. Be it further enacted, That this Act take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed February 11, 1921.

W. W. BOND,

Speaker of the Senate.

ANDREW L. TODD,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

A. A. TAYLOR,

Governor.

Approved 3-8-21.

Stockholders Must Be Natives. Stockholders in private banks in Sweden must be natives of Sweden.

Bad Luck to Owe Money. The halibut fishermen of the Pacific have a reputation for honesty. They invariably pay all their bills before starting on a fishing expedition. They regard it as bad luck to leave any unpaid accounts behind. These men do not work for wages. They pay all expenses for their equipment and then share the proceeds of the trip.

Flexible Stone.

The Engineering Gazette states that a slab of sandstone, cut from a small ledge in a creek bottom, now in the possession of J. T. Miller, Oregon, has the quality of flexibility, and can be bent and twisted by slight pressure from the hands. It is added that geologists are unable to explain the singular property of the stone.